



## **Public Safety Police & Fire**

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### **PRESS RELEASE**

POINT OF CONTACT: Asst. Chief Chris Cole

Date: January 5, 2019

On the afternoon of Saturday, January 5, 2019 at approximately 1:00pm Storm Lake Police Officers were on location at the Our Place Facility located at 110 East 3rd Street providing security for a political rally for Senator Elizabeth Warren.

Police observed a person in the overflow crowd that was outside of the facility allegedly become very vocal while Senator Warren was outside greeting the attendees. The person, identified as Randal James Thom, age 58 of Lakefield, MN reportedly became aggressive and attempted to assault others in the crowd.

Police moved in and took Thom into custody. Thom was transported to the Buena Vista County Jail where he was charged by the Storm Lake Police Department with Disorderly Conduct (simple misdemeanor). Thom was held on a \$300.00 bond.

No injuries were reported.

All defendants are considered innocent until proven guilty.